

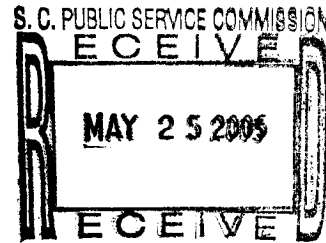
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Mr. Charles Terreni
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SC Public Service Commission
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RE: Notice of Election of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. for Application
Of the Natural Gas Rate Stabilization Act to its Rates and Charges
Docket No. 2005-125-G

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed please find for filing an original and ten (10) copies of the Petition to Intervene of the South Carolina Energy Users Committee ("SCEUC") in the above-captioned matter. By copy of this letter, I am serving all parties of record.

✓ I have enclosed an extra copy of this petition which I would ask you to date stamp and return to me in the enclosed stamped self-addressed envelope. If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely Yours,

ELLIOTT & ELLIOTT, P.A.

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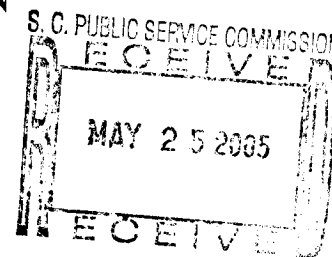
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c: All parties of record (w/Encl.)

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 2005-125-G



IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
 Notice of Election of Piedmont)
 Natural Gas Company, Inc. for)
 Application of the Natural Gas Rate)
 Stabilization Act to its Rates and Charges)

PETITION TO INTERVENE

P. I.
 The South Carolina Energy Users Committee ("SCEUC") hereby petitions the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission") pursuant to R.103-836 of the Commission's rules and regulations to intervene and be made a party of record in the above-captioned docket. In support of this Petition, SCEUC would allege as follows:

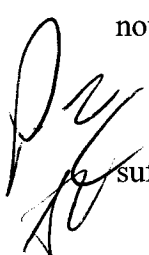
1. That Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Piedmont") has filed notice of its election seeking the application of the terms of the South Carolina Natural Gas Rate Stabilization Act regarding its rates and charges for gas distribution services provided within the State of South Carolina; that Piedmont requests in its filing that the Commission make such findings and establish such ongoing procedures as may be required for prospective adjustments to its base rates using the rates, charges, revenues, expenses, capital structure, returns, and other matters established in Piedmont's most recent general rate proceeding in Docket No. 2002-63-G.

2. That the Commission has assigned Docket No. 2005-125-G to the referenced matter.

3. That SCEUC is an association organized in the State of South Carolina, consisting of large industrial consumers of energy which are engaged in various manufacturing enterprises throughout the State.

4. That a number of members of SCEUC purchase and consume substantial amounts of natural gas from Piedmont.

5. That SCEUC and its members have a direct and material interest in the issues to be addressed and resolved by the Commission in this docket and the interests of its members are not adequately represented by the current parties to this proceeding.

 6. That given the state of the record at this stage of the proceedings, SCEUC lacks sufficient information to fully develop and state its position in this proceeding at this time.

7. That granting SCEUC's request to be made a party of record in this proceeding is in the public interest, is consistent with the policies of the Commission in encouraging maximum public participation in issues before it, and should be allowed so that a full and complete record addressing its views and concerns can be developed.

8. That in accordance with Rule R. 103-804 (S) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Petitioner is represented by counsel in this proceeding:

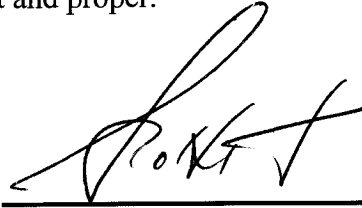
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WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays for the following relief:

- a. That this Petition to Intervene be accepted and that Petitioner be made a party of record;

- b. That Petitioner be allowed to participate fully in this proceeding and take such positions as it deems advisable; and
- c. For such other and further relief as is just and proper.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned employee of Elliott & Elliott, P.A. does hereby certify that she has served below listed parties with a copy of the pleading(s) indicated below by mailing a copy of same to them in the United States mail, by regular mail, with sufficient postage affixed thereto and return address clearly marked on the date indicated below:

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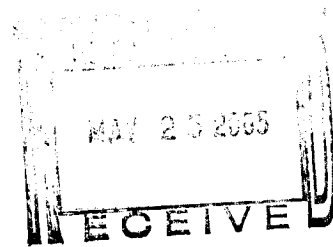
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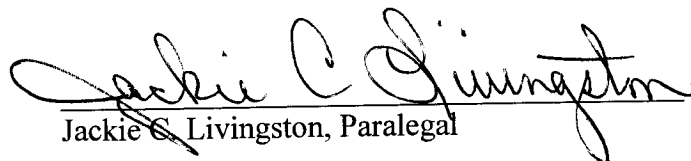
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PLEADING: PETITION TO INTERVENE BY SOUTH CAROLINA
ENERGY USERS COMMITTEE

May 24, 2005


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